THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.5468 of 2007

Date: 16.03.2007

Between:

Mohd.Akbar and another

....Petitioners

And

The Sub-Registrar, Registration
And Stamps Department,
Hyderabad.

....Respondents

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O R D E R:

The petitioners state that they purchased the agricultural land admeasuring Ac.2-38 guntas situated in Survey Nos.59/A, 59/AA, 59/E and 59/EE of Hyderguda Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. According to them, the sale deed executed by their vendor was presented to the respondent for registration. The grievance of the petitioners is that the respondent is not accepting the document for registration, on the ground that the Government issued a notification under Section 22-A of the Registration Act, 1908 (for short 'the Act'), in respect of the land in the said survey number. This writ petition is filed seeking appropriate directions to the respondents in this regard.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Pleader for Revenue.

Section 22-A of the Act empowered the Government to issue notifications almost preventing the registration of documents in respect of the lands to be mentioned

therein. Such a power was held to be *ultra vires* and the provision was struck down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***State of Rajasthan v. Basanth Nahata***[1]**.**

Once the sole basis for the respondent to refuse registration had disappeared, he is under obligation to receive the documents and consider the same in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Stamp Act and the Registration Act.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondent to receive and process the document presented by the petitioners and take necessary steps in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Stamp Act and the Registration Act, within one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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L.NARASIMHA REDDY, J

16th March, 2007.

Note:
Issue c.c. in one week.
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[1] AIR 2005 SC 3401 = (2005) 12 SCC 77